

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 DOHA 00537 011209Z
ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 EB-07 COME-00 OPIC-03 AID-05 XMB-02
CIAE-00 INR-07 NSAE-00 /035 W
-----011236Z 086970 /44
R 011010Z MAY 77
FM AMEMBASSY DOHA
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2549

C O N F I D E N T I A L DOHA 0537

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: BEXV, QA
SUBJECT: REYNOLDS METALS INTEREST IN PROPOSED ALUMINUM SMELTER

REF: (A) STATE 080720; (B) STATE 096104

1. EMBASSY HAS CONTACTED GOQ INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT TECHNICAL CENTER (IDTC) CONCERNING ALUMINUM SMELTER PROJECT. IDTC REP WOULD ONLY SAY THAT THIS IS ONE OF SEVERAL PROJECTS BEING CONSIDERED BY THEIR LIGHT INDUSTRIAL SECTION. WE HAVE BEEN UNABLE TO DEVELOP ANY FIRM INFORMATION ON PROJECT OR ITS STATUS.

2. INFORMATION ON TEYSEER TRADING AND CONTRACTING COMPANY, P.O. BOX 1556, TELEX 4292 YOUSER DH. PROPRIETOR IS ABDUL RAHMAN AL-MANNAI, WHO IS DIRECTOR OF OFFICE OF MINISTRY OF INTERIOR. GENERAL MANAGER IS AHASSAD KUL RASOUL. TEYSEER HAS TWO BRANCHES, ONE OF WHICH IMPORTS AND RETAILS AUTO-MOBILES, MOTORCYCLES AND ACCESSORIES, AND OTHER SMALL CONSUMER ITEMS. OPERATES MODERN GARAGE AND AUTOMATIC SERVICE STATION. CONTRACTING DIVISION INVOLVED IN SEVERAL GOVERNMENT CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS. FINANCIAL STATUS IS GOOD. FINANCIAL REFERENCES ARE CITY BANK DOHA, ARAB BANK DOHA, UNITED BANK LTD. DOHA. FIRM HAS EXCELLENT BUSINESS REPUTATION. OWNER HIGHLY INFLUENTIAL WITH STRONG CONTACTS IN RULING FAMILY.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 DOHA 00537 011209Z

3. INFORMATION ON MIDMAC CONTRACTING AND TRADING COMPANY, P.O. BOX 464, DOHA, QATAR, TELEPHONE 32356. MANAGER AND PARTNER, MR. SALAH HAWILA. OTHER PARTNER MR. JOSEPH SALAMEH MENTIONED IN REF (B). COMPANY IS VERY LARGE, TRADING IN CONTRACTING ORGANIZATION. BUILT VIP VILLAS AS WELL AS OTHER GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS FOR GOQ. BUILT PHOENECIA

HOTEL IN BEIRUT. HAS LARGE CONTRACT WITH SAUDI ARABIA
MONETARY AGENCY FOR HOUSING IN RIYADH. FINANCIAL POSITION
VERY STRONG. FINANCIAL REFERENCES CITY BANK DOHA, ARAB
BANK DOHA, BANK DE PARIS ET DES PAYS BAS DOHA. COMPANY
HAS BEEN VERY SUCCESSFUL IN SEVERAL MIDDLE EAST COUNTRIES
IN LARGE CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS. FORMERLY KNOWN AS ORIENT
CONSTRUCTION AND TRADING COMPANY, NOW SOMETIMES REFERRED
TO AS MIDMAC-ORIENT.

4. BOTH TEYSEER AND MIDMAC-ORIENT ARE CONSIDERED HIGHLY
RECOMMENDED AS TRADING CONTACTS FOR U.S. COMPANIES.

5. PLEASE INFORM FORMER AMBASSADOR RICE, OFNAEYNOLDS
METALS, OF INFORMATION IN ABOVE PARAGRAPHS.
PAGANELLI

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: ALUMINUM, INVESTMENTS, INDUSTRIAL PLANTS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 01-May-1977 12:00:00 am
Decaption Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 22 May 2009
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977DOHA00537
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D770152-0946
Format: TEL
From: DOHA
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t197705105/aaaadnrh.tel
Line Count: 77
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: f58b6088-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION NEA
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 77 STATE 80720, 77 STATE 96104
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 18-Mar-2005 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 2337929
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: REYNOLDS METALS INTEREST IN PROPOSED ALUMINUM SMELTER
TAGS: BEXP, EINV, EMIN, US, QA, REYNOLDS METALS
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odbc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/f58b6088-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
22 May 2009
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009